

**Office of Corporate Financial Systems**  
Long Range Systems Plan

July 28, 1997

The Office of CFO has embarked on a project to develop a long range systems plan for the financial systems of the Department. This document is the beginning of this effort.

This CFO/CFS long range planning document is intended to provide a starting point for a group effort to define the direction and goals of the CFO for Information Systems for the future two years and beyond. As such it takes as given the current configuration and the currently expected changes to that configuration in FY 1998. This is out of synchronization with the budget process, because the FY 1999 budget process is well along and this document will not be able to effect it very much. It is assumed as in the past most of the FY 1999 budget estimates are based on continuing existing development efforts and maintenance of current operational systems.

This document begins with references to Information Systems plans of the Department as a whole and then tries to support those plans while providing for the financial systems needs of the Department.

**DOE Strategic Plan**

**The DOE Strategic Plan has the following strategy for Information Management:**

The Department will, under the auspices of the Chief Information Officer and in partnership with its customers, utilize an integrated, complex-wide framework for planning, budgeting, evaluating and implementing information management solutions to support accomplishment of agency missions.

**Success Measures**

- To maximize the use of IM resources, the Department begins in FY 1998 implementation of its five year information management plan and develops and implements annual operational plans as part of the agency's annual budget process.
- By October 1997, the DOE Capital Planning Information Technology (IT) Investment Board, consistent with the ITMR Act, reviews and prioritizes IT investments that support the mission of the Department.
- A Department-wide information architecture with supporting standards promulgated by January 1998 to foster \$100 million in cost avoidances over the next five years through the elimination of duplicative or incompatible information systems.
- By December 1999, staff are able to access and share information easily and seamlessly across the DOE complex.

## **Chief Information Officer**

### **The Chief Information Officer Information Management Strategic Plan has the following goals:**

- Goal 1: Increase customer trust by involving them in the information management process.
- Goal 2: Improve understanding of DOE missions and processes in order to provide effective IM support.
- Goal 3: Partner with our customers to plan and implement corporate systems.
- Goal 4: Develop, in concert with our customers, DOE-wide data administration to assure data availability and access.
- Goal 5: Provide customers the technology to access and share information easily and seamlessly anywhere.
- Goal 6: Improve the cooperation and collaboration of the IM Community to cost-effectively meet the IM needs of DOE.

## **Chief Financial Officer**

### **The CFO Financial Management Strategic Plan has the following goals for Information Technology Architecture :**

***GOAL: To meet customer and stakeholder financial management information needs***

The objectives and strategies of this goal define a more structured approach for effectively balancing the need to maintain and improve our current financial systems with the vision of developing new "corporate" systems to enhance our ability to provide the products and services our customers value.

Objective 1: **Centralize and consolidate the Administration of Financial Management Systems.**

TI1-1 Create a Systems Council as outlined in Reorganization Design Team Report

TI1-2 Establish a process for prioritizing systems development and maintenance requirements which facilitates resource allocations.

Objective 2: **Support current financial management systems and complete ongoing improvement efforts**

TI2-1 Complete Management Analysis Reporting System (MARS)

TI2-2 Complete Standard General Ledger (SGL) Development Efforts

TI2-3 Complete Departmental Integrated Standardized Core Accounting System (DISCAS) Accounting Consolidation Initiatives and efficiency improvements.

TI2-4 Complete the Integrated Budget Management Information System initiatives .

Objective 3: **Implement a financial information system to make useful financial data readily available to customers**

TI3-1 Design, Develop and install an Executive Information System.

Objective 4: **Develop, acquire and implement a contemporary comprehensive Financial Management System which satisfies customer and stakeholder requirements**

TI4-1 Initiate Strategic Information Management System (SIM) Process  
focusing on long term financial information requirements

TI4-2 Design, develop and implement the new Financial Management System.

## **Definitions**

In order to establish common framework for discussion, the following list of definitions is provided. To the extent possible an official source will be provided for all definitions.

### **Office of Management and Budget (OMB)**

OMB Circular A-130 defines an information system as follows:

“n. The term "information system" means a discrete set of information resources organized for the collection, processing, maintenance, transmission, and dissemination of information, in accordance with defined procedures, whether automated or manual.”

The OMB circular A-130 also defines information resources management:

“m. The term "information resources management" means the process of managing information resources to accomplish agency missions. The term encompasses both information itself and the related resources, such as personnel, equipment, funds, and information technology.”

**Information Technology Management Reform Act** (ITMRA) of 1996, (Public Law 104-106, Section 2, Division E) defines information technology as follows:

“The term “information technology”, with respect to an executive agency means any equipment or interconnected system or subsystem of equipment, that is used in the automatic acquisition, storage, manipulation, management, movement, control, display, switching, interchange, transmission, or reception of data or information by the executive agency.” This definition includes equipment used by a contractor under a contract which requires the use of such equipment, or requires the use, to a significant extent, of such equipment in the performance of a service or the furnishing of a product.

### **National Performance Review**

The following definitions are from the "Federal Benchmarking Consortium Study report, titled, "Serving the American Public: Best Practices in Customer-Driven Strategic Planning", dated February 1997, produced under the National Performance Review banner.

**Customers** - The person or group who establishes the requirement of a process and receives or uses the outputs of that process; or the person or entity directly served by the department or agency.

**Stakeholder** - Any person, group, or organization that can place a claim on, or influence, the organization's resources or outputs, is affected by those outputs, or has an interest in or expectation of the organization.

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**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY** - 1 page (write last)

**INTRODUCTION**

Purpose of Strategic Planning

Identify baseline of operations/activities of CFS

Identify short-term objectives (next 18 months)

Identify long-range issues

Dovetail plan to other DOE planning initiatives and guidelines

Provide recommendations for immediate action

Provide outline of next step in planning

Project Schedule (MS Project - Summary with GANT Chart)

(Project Approach?)

Scope - primarily within CFO

Methodology

Overview of this document

**CURRENT TECHNICAL ENVIRONMENT**

Introduction - Summary of current systems architecture and technical environment

Top-down breakout (Walter's charts)

Inventory of operational systems and activities supported by CFS

*[For each of the following: these subsections*

*System name*

*Number of FTEs currently supporting*

*Current Budget (including contractor support)*

*Cumulative cost last 3 years*

*Budgeted cost next FY*

*System Function*

*System Interfaces*

*System Owner*

*Primary System User]*

SIFMIS

Accounting

Budget Execution

Budget Formulation

LAN

AOSS Support

Inventory of systems currently under development

*[For each of the following: these subsections*

*System name*

*Number of FTEs currently supporting*

*Current Budget (including contractor support)*

*Cumulative cost last 3 years*

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*Budgeted cost next FY*

*System Function*

*System Interfaces*

*System Owner*

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Executive Information

Financial Data Warehouse

Others?

Inventories (could be appendix)

Hardware platforms used/supported by CFS

Critical software used/supported by CFS

Interfaces within CFS systems

Interfaces to systems outside CFS control

Areas/systems under consideration for development/enhancement near-term

FMIS

Others?

Limitations/Problems with Current Technical Environment

Redundancy in Data Input

Needed functional areas not currently addressed

## **CURRENT BUSINESS ENVIRONMENT**

Constraints on Planning and Operations - how does each of the following impact CFS?

Legislation

Presidential Performance Review

Secretary of Energy's Strategic Plan

CFO Strategic Planning - which items relevant to CFS planning

GAO/IG

OMB

GSA Schedule

Budget Constraints

Supporting Current Systems

Customers of CFS

Offices within CFO

Offices outside CFO - who are important; what is the relationship

Field Organizations

CFS Business Objectives

Limitations of Current Business Environment

## **FUTURE ENVIRONMENT**

Technology: Expected components of new technology

Web-based communications

More distributed processing



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GUI user environment - Windows or NT

Different use of mainframes

Volatility of technical environment

Planned Systems Architecture -

Walter's diagram revised and explanatory narrative

Areas of Planned Development for Next 18 months (what's already on drawing board)

Support of key systems

Replacement of FMIS

Expected role of EIS/FDW

Expected role of the LAN

**ISSUES and IMPACTS**

Human Resource Management: staffing issues

Training

Need for staff upgrading

Dealing with budget constraints

LAN Issues?

Security and Controls

Contingencies

Backups

Fault Tolerance

Standard Operating Procedures

Performance Measure

**SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

Planning Strategy Defined/Summarized

Obtain Planning Project Resources

Roles and Responsibilities -what work products?

Rules of engagement (How often get together, etc)

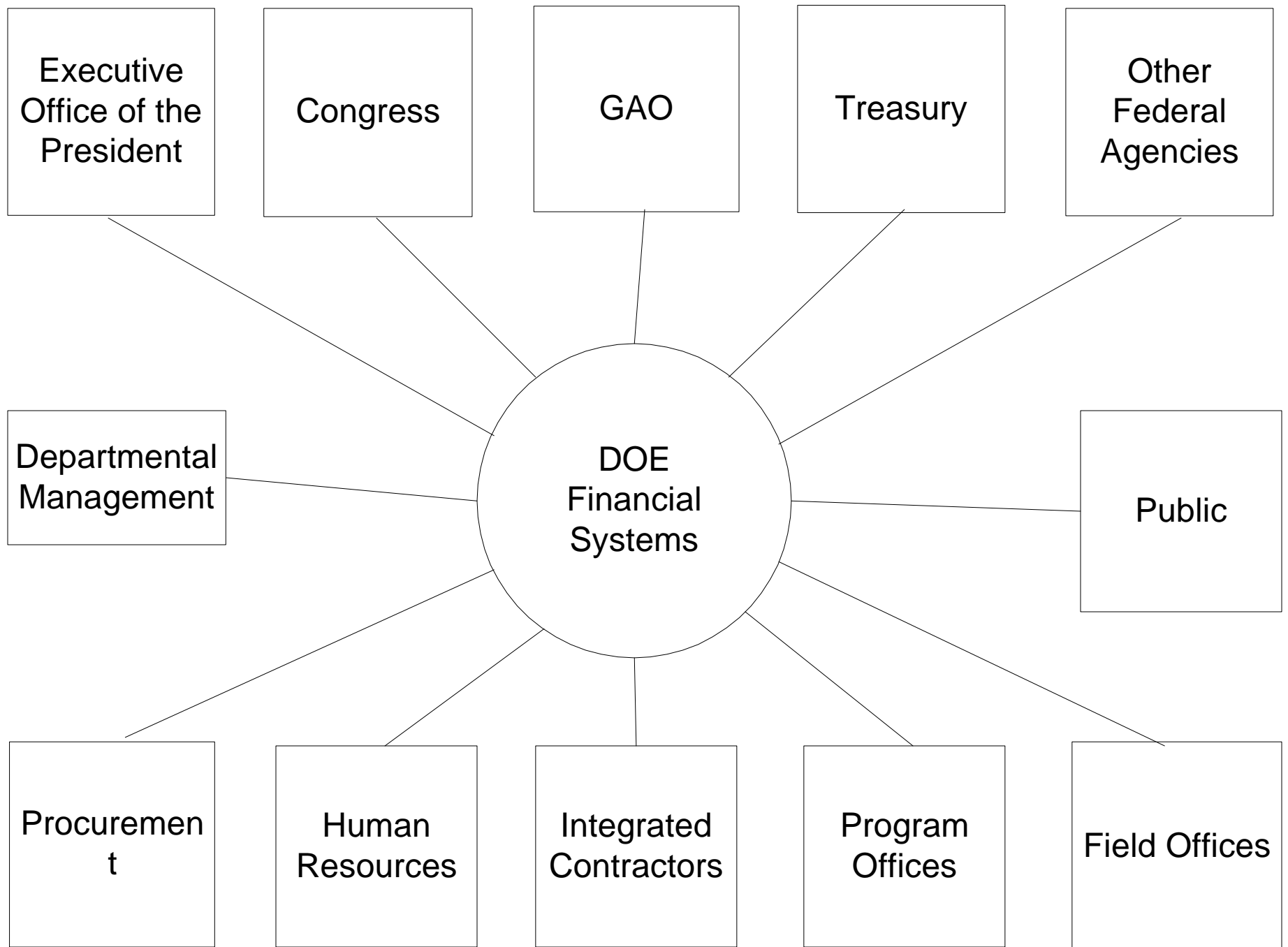
Create baseline inventory of operations

Analyse baseline systems for deficiencies

Prioritize deficiencies

Prepare for Step 2: Analysis of CFS data and data requirements

## DOE Financial Systems Context Diagram



# EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

## Office of Management and Budget (OMB)

OMB Circular A-11 “Preparation and Submission of Budget Estimates”

MAX Budget Data System

Budget Justification Documents for review and comment

Witness Statements for review and comment

Questions and Answers for the record for review and comment

OMB Circular A-34 “Instructions for Budget Execution”

SF-132 “Apportionment and Reapportionment Request”

SF-133 “Report on Budget Execution”

Reprogramming Requests

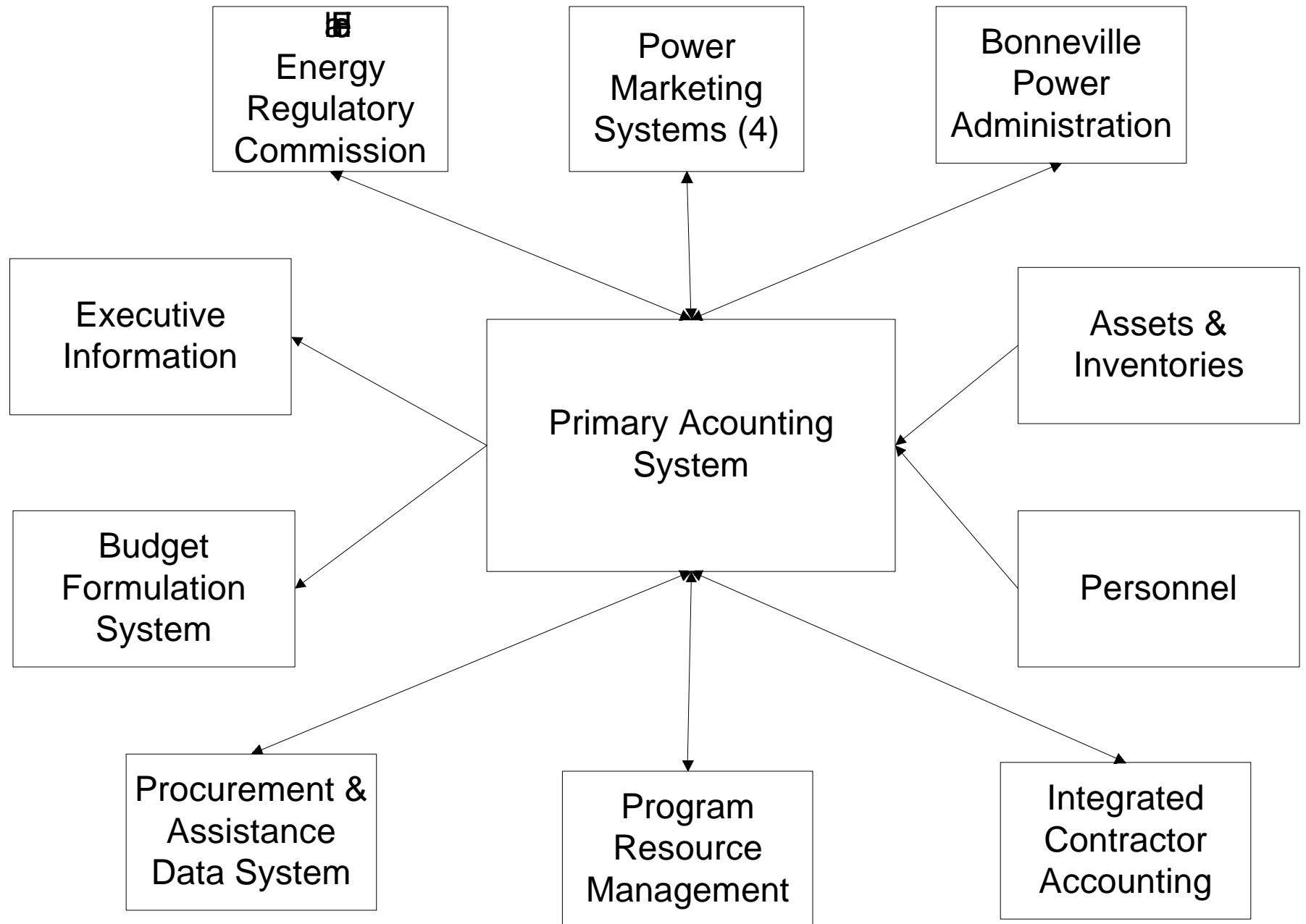
## Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP)

Research and Development activity data

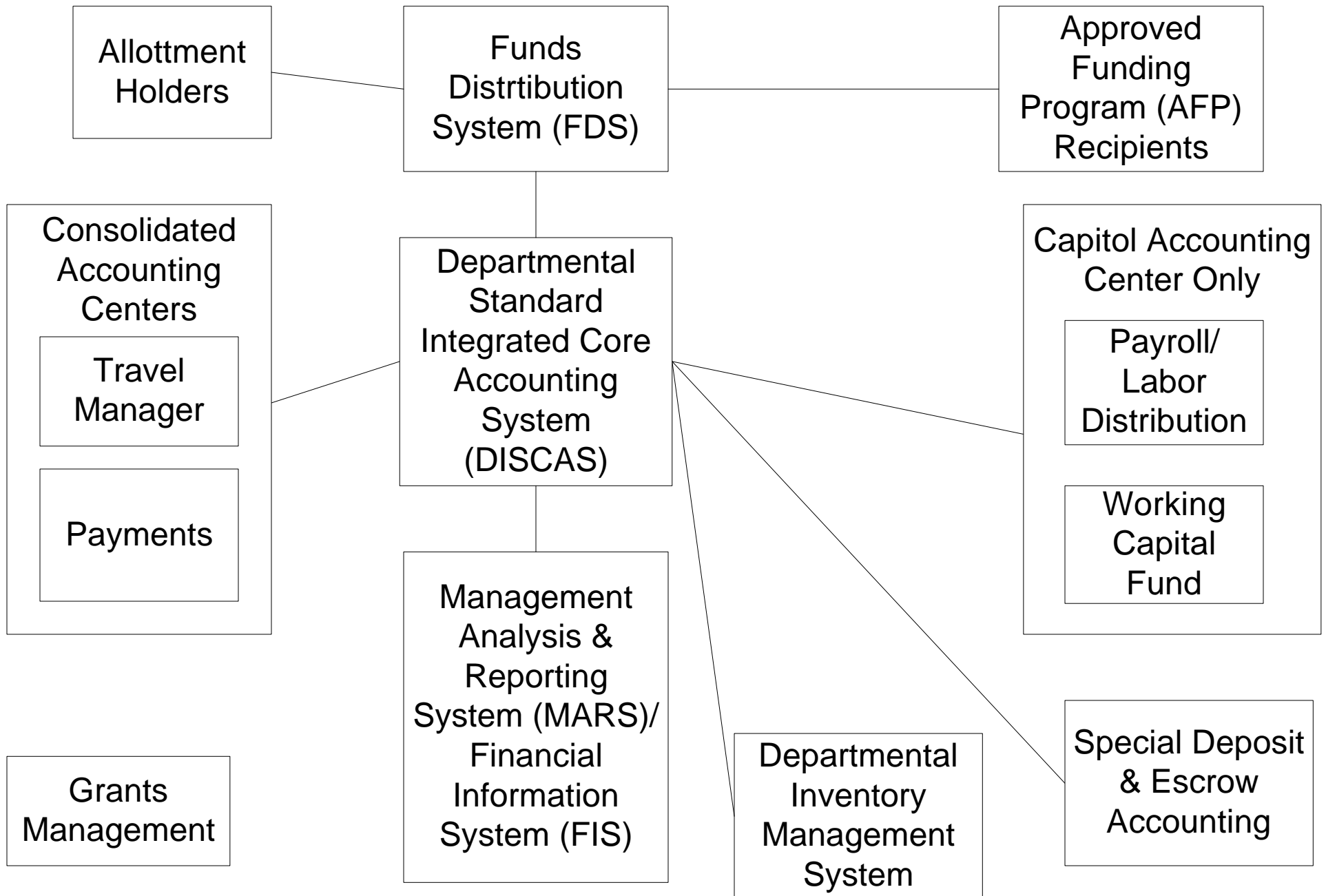
## National Science and Technology Coordinating Council (NSTCC)

Crosscut activity data

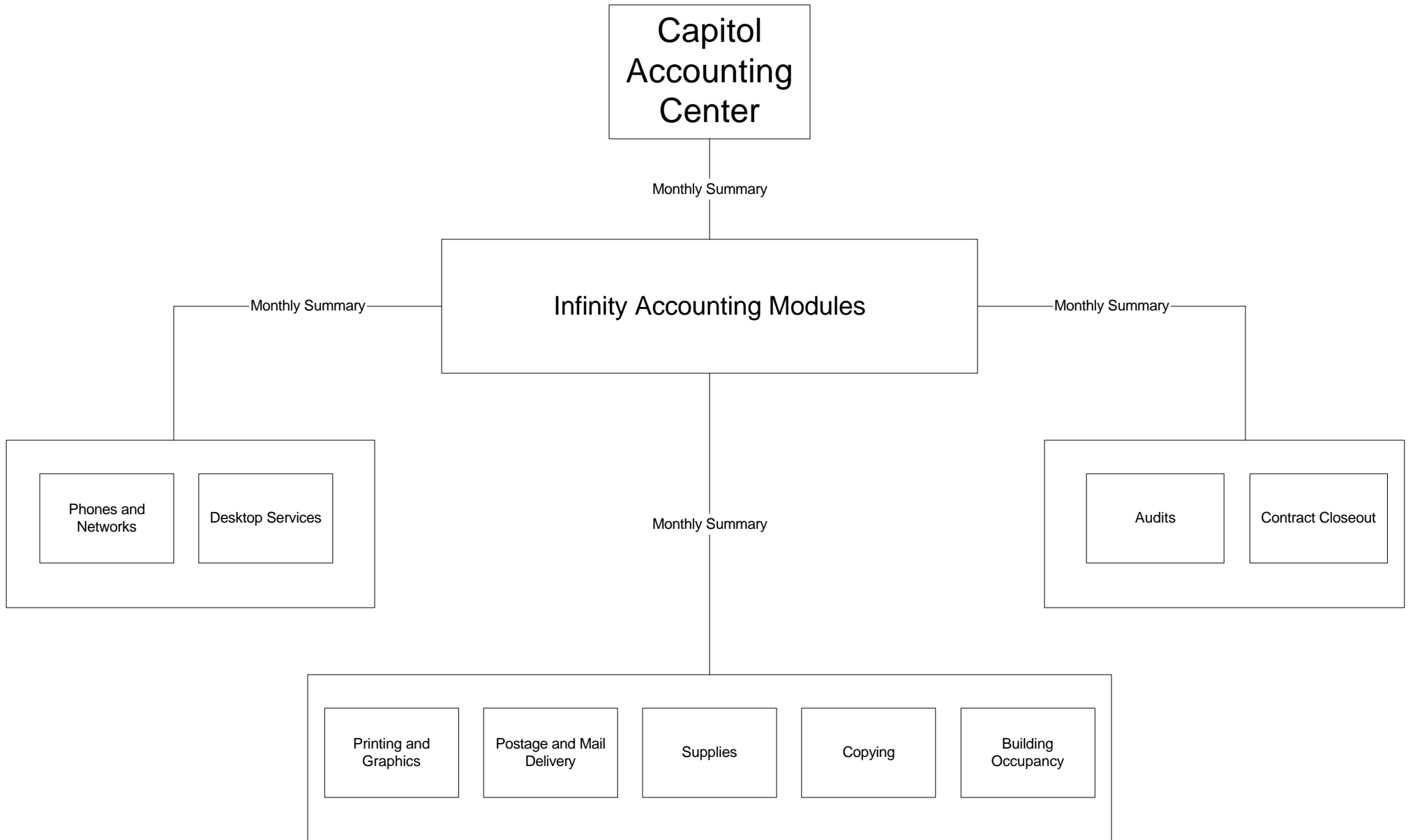
# DOE Financial Systems



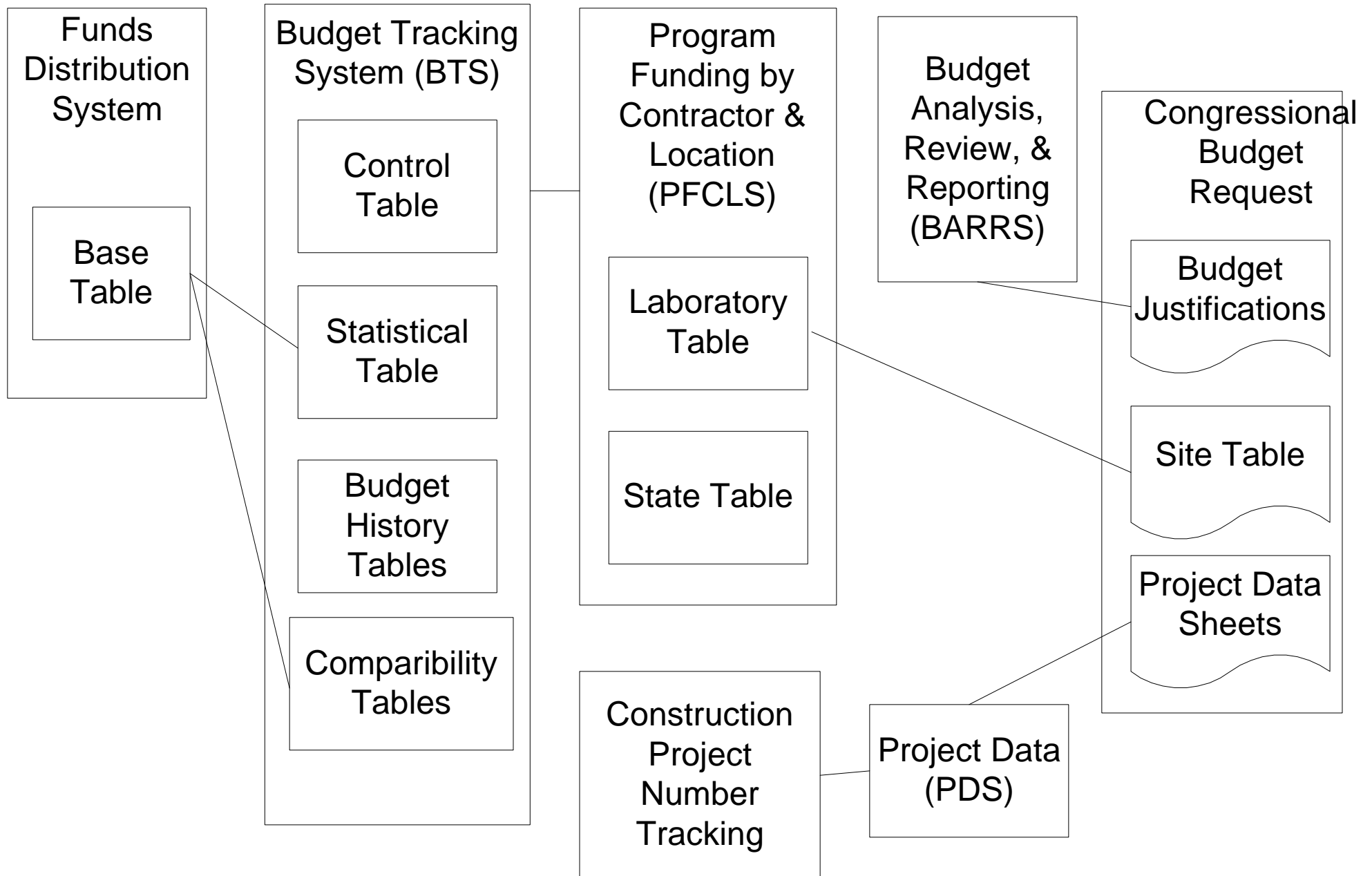
# Departmental Primary Accounting System (DPAS)



# Headquarters Working Capital Fund



# Departmental Budget Formulation System (DBFS)



Product Line	u n c	Category Titles and Systems, Programs or Projects	Life Cycle Phase*	Capital Equipment	Other Equipment	Capital Software	Other Software	Support	Services	Supplies	e d	Total \$ in Thousands
1		Program Management for IM										0.0
1.1		Planning and Budgeting										0.0
1.1.1		CR Project Management and Planning										0.0
1.2		Procurement Management										0.0
1.2.1		CR Logistics Management										0.0
2		IM Systems, Programs & Projects										0.0
2.1		Departmental/Corporate										0.0
		FDS	O&M				300.0					300.0
		MARS	DI&I				400.0					400.0
		DISCAS	O&M				450.0					450.0
		FIS/BARC	O&M				100.0					100.0
		FMIS	R&A								1	0.0
2.2		Collaborative/Multi-Organization										0.0
		People Express	DI&I				20.0					20.0
		Gartner Group	R&A						8.0			8.0
		Applix Help Desk Initiative	DI&I					17.0				17.0
		Financial Data Warehouse	DI&I				350.0					350.0
		EIS	DI&I									0.0
		Electronic Commerce EDI	DI&I					5.0				5.0
		R&D Tracking System	O&M									0.0
		BARRS	O&M									0.0
		Project Data System (PDS)	O&M									0.0
		Program Activity by Location System (PAL)	DI&I				95.0					95.0
2.3		Organization/Mission Specific										0.0
		GOALS/OPAC	O&M						46.0			46.0
		LEXIS/NEXIS	O&M						4.0			4.0
		LDS/COTS	O&M				100.0					100.0
		Computer Telephone Integration	O&M				10.0					10.0
		Travel Manager	DI&I				62.0	10.3	15.0			87.3
		Budget Tracking System (BTS)	O&M				50.0					50.0
		DARTS	O&M				110.0					110.0
		VITALS/CLOGNET/Personnel/FCRS/SPA	O&M				110.0					110.0
		Outlay Forecasting System	O&M									0.0
		Federal Reserve Bank	O&M						1.0			1.0
		Credit Bureau Reporting	O&M						2.0			2.0
		Data Entry (Soza)	O&M					55.0				55.0
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		Lotus 1,2,3/Excel										0.0
		WordPerfect/MSWord					1.0					1.0
		Corel/Harvard/MSPowerPoint Graphics										0.0
		VISIO										0.0
3		Infrastructure										0.0
3.1		Workstation/Desktop/User Interface										0.0



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		Desktop Maintenance	WCF						70.0			70.0
		Client Software					13.7					13.7
		License renewals					5.0					5.0
		Windows 95/NT					45.0					45.0
		PC Hardware			78.3							78.3
		Cell Phones							1.2			1.2
		Pager Maintenance							3.0			3.0
3.2		Networks										0.0
		Local Area Network Infrastructure	WCF						148.0			
		Server Maintenance							13.4			13.4
		Server Software										0.0
		License renewals							7.4			7.4
		New licenses										0.0
		Fault Tolerance					37.0					37.0
		Security					28.0					28.0
		Centralized Management					35.0					35.0
		Server Hardware										0.0
		Remote Access			26							26.0
		Other Hardware			63.2							63.2
		Cabling, Routers, Concentrators, etc										0.0
		End User and Network Support Staff						490.0				490.0
		DOE Business Network							125.0			125.0
		ALO/ORO Contribution							-80.0			-80.0
3.3		Other Processors										0.0
		Web Server										0.0
		Web Site 2.0					1.0					1.0
		Cold Fusion 3.0					1.0					1.0
		Hewlett-Packard										0.0
		Hardware			50							50.0
		Maintenance							350.0			350.0
		ALO/ORO Contribution							-120.0			-120.0
		Support Staff						450.0				450.0
		TOTAL \$ in Thousands			76	141.5	0.0	2,323.7	1,027.3	594.0	0.0	4,162.5
		* Life Cycle Phase: R&A - Research and Analysis; DI&I - Development, Integration, and Implementation; O&M - Operation and Maintenance;										
		WCF - Working Capital Fund.										